METHODS, SYSTEMS, AND COMPUTER PROGRAM PRODUCTS FOR CONTROLLING DEVICES THROUGH A NETWORK VIA A NETWORK TRANSLATION DEVICE

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Methods, systems, and computer program products are provided for controlling devices through a network via a network translation device. The network translation device determines whether a first device, such as a legacy device, has functionality that is controllable via a first protocol (*e.g.*, a device connectivity protocol). If the first device has functionality that is controllable via the first protocol, then the network translation device sends the first device functionality information to a second device (*i.e.*, a controlling device). The network translation device may include one or more non-volatile memory modules that are respectively associated with communication ports on the network translation device and contain data associated with the functionality provided by a device that is connected to the respective communication port. The memory modules may also include data for configuring the communication port for communication with the device connected thereto.